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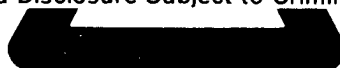
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IRANIAN PONTON BRIDGE
NORTH OF AHVAZ, IRAN

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1. (S/D) SIGNIFICANCE: AN IRANIAN PONTON BRIDGE WAS OBSERVED SPANNING THE KARKHEH RIVER NORTH OF AHVAZ.
2. (S/D) REMARKS: AN IRANIAN PONTON BRIDGE SPANNING THE KARKHEH RIVER 40 NM NORTHWEST OF AHVAZ AND 26 NM SOUTH-SOUTHWEST OF SHUSH WAS IDENTIFIED [REDACTED] EQUIPMENT OBSERVED NEAR THE BRIDGE INCLUDED FIVE BMK-90 POWERBOATS, 12 CARGO TRUCKS, AND THREE JEEPS. IRANIAN UNITS DEFENDING THE AREA WERE DEPLOYED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE RIVER, 9 NM NORTH OF THE BRIDGE. UNITS OBSERVED INCLUDED A TANK PLATOON, A MECHANIZED INFANTRY COMPANY, A MOTOR TRANSPORT UNIT, AND A SUPPLY POINT. NO IRANIAN UNITS WERE IN THE AREA [REDACTED] HOWEVER, INITIAL SITE PREPARATION WAS UNDERWAY.

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(S/D) THIS BRIDGE COULD ENABLE THE IRANIANS TO DEPLOY UNITS ACROSS THE KARKHEH RIVER, THEN INTO THE MOUNTAINS NORTHWEST OF SUSANGERD AND THREATEN THE IRAQI SUPPLY LINES IN THAT AREA.

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